

# ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to an imaging system in which, while high image quality is maintained with the influence of diffraction minimized, the quantity of light is  
5 controlled, and which enables the length of the zoom lens to be cut down. The imaging system comprises a zoom lens comprising a plurality of lens groups G1 and G2 wherein the spacing between individual lens groups is varied to vary a focal length and an aperture stop located in an  
10 optical path for limiting at least an axial light beam diameter, and an electronic image pickup device I located on the image side of the zoom lens. The aperture stop has a fixed shape, and a filter S2 for performing light quantity control by varying transmittance is located on an  
15 optical axis of a space located at a position different from that of a space in which the aperture stop is located.